

North Wolds Federation Intent Statement

Reading

At North Wolds Federation, we value reading as a key life skill that has to be mastered in the primary years. Our intent for reading, as a crucial part of our curriculum, is for all children to learn to read to become competent, lifelong readers.

We dedicate a significant chunk of the schools timetable to reading which reflects the importance we place on promoting a strong, embedded reading culture. We also intend for reading to have a key place across the whole curriculum, not just in shared and guided reading lessons.

We know that some of our children would not voluntarily pick up a book and read so we endeavour to foster a reading culture in school to instil a love of reading. We aspire for all children see reading as a valuable leisure activity and hopefully become lifelong readers. We do this through library visits (local and our own), rewards for reading, regularly reading to our children and reading challenges. We recognise the part parents play in building a love of reading and developing fluency.

We ensure our reading and library books are relevant, inspiring and meet the needs of our children, no matter what stage they are in their reading journey.



Market Rasen C of E Primary School, one of the schools in our Federation, is a proud Church School. The aspects of the <u>Church School Vision</u> that relate to our Reading intent curriculum include:

- "We educate each person" & "Our inclusive school community"; all children will access the Reading curriculum. We know that the ability to read will have a huge impact on children's life chances and therefore their "Dreams and goals."
- "Respecting individual differences"; significant adjustments will be made for children that
 need them when learning to read. This could be overlearning, intervention, scaffolding or
 additional adult support. We also "Respect individual differences" by actively exposing
 children to texts that refer to the protected characteristics.
- Help children to be "Spiritually aware" when they enjoy books that cover topics that could be considered spiritual. More information about this can be found in the Spirituality Policy.
- "Start children off on the way they should go"; we are preparing for children to have a lifelong love of reading for pleasure.
- We "Work with our local community" to find people who will come and support our children with reading. Often this leads to intergenerational interaction which has other benefits beyond reading. We also "Work with our local community" by asking parents for support in hearing their children read. In partnership we can accelerate the child's progress and make them more successful and fluent readers. We also have close links with other community groups including the Market Rasen Library who support us in ensuring children have a love of reading.

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